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SUBJECT: MEETINGS WITH GEORGIAN OFFICIALS ON PREVENTING  
NUCLEAR SMUGGLING

1. (SBU) SUMMARY. On 3-4 October 2007, the Preventing Nuclear Smuggling Program (PNSP) delegation held meetings with a Georgian delegation regarding the US Domestic Structure: After initial introductions, the meeting began with Mr. David Wilson (Deputy Assistance Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation) and Mr. Michael Curry (U.S. Coordinator for Nuclear Smuggling Response Team). The Georgian Structure: Each agency present described their roles and responsibilities in responding to incidents of nuclear smuggling. As 16. During the MFA presentation the MFA mentioned a plan to create an inter-ministerial working group for the purposes of developing national framework for responding to nuclear smuggling incidents. 4. (SBU) Overview of the Model Action Plan: David K. Smith, Nuclear Forensics Leader from Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, provided an overview of the Model Action Plan. 5. (SBU) Next Steps: After many discussions regarding the scope of the Georgian documents outlining procedures for response to nuclear smuggling incidents, the Georgian Government

6. (SBU) List of actions taken by Georgian Government  
-- The Georgian Government works with the U.S. Department of Energy and IAEA to identify locations that may have orphaned or inadequately secured nuclear materials.  
-- The Customs Department, National Border Police and the Nuclear and Radiation Safety Service continue work to define procedures for responding to nuclear smuggling incidents.  
-- After the reorganization of almost all ministries in Georgia (hopefully next year) is finished, an interagency working group will be set up to coordinate responses to nuclear smuggling incidents.  
-- The Georgian laws are being reviewed and revised as needed to implement the Convention on the Physical Protection of Nuclear Materials and the Model Action Plan.  
-- Additional radiation portal monitors and related equipment are being installed at the existing points of entry, as well as additional points of entry.  
-- Equipment for monitoring the State border (land and sea space) is prioritized. Georgian Ministry of Finance and Ministry of Internal Affairs are working to revise laws to ensure effective responses to smuggling incidents.  
-- Georgian Ministry of Finance carried out the full modernization of Customs Service.  
-- Georgian State Department of State Border Guards has been modernized and transformed into the Border Police.  
-- Patrolling of the State Border areas between established points of entry increased.  
-- The Georgian Coast Guard Service of the Border Police increases intensity of patrols of Georgia's sea space in order to detect and interdict smuggling incidents.  
-- Special Forces of the Ministry of Internal Affairs conduct patrols on the sections of the main highways leading to the Autonomous Republic of Abkhazia and South Ossetia.  
-- Anti-Corruption Strategy Action Plan that was developed in cooperation with Transparency International and approved by the Georgian Government is being carried out effectively. The successful corruption convictions will be publicized. Since the signing of the Anti-Corruption Strategy Action Plan, 17. (U) Delegation List Participants from the USG: Mr. Michael Curry - U.S. Department of State - U.S. Coordinator for Nuclear Smuggling Response Team